RAJYA SABHA

Wednesday, 4h December, 1985|13th Agrahayana, 1907 (Saka)

The House met at eleven of the clock **Mr. Chairman** in the Chair.

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS TO CHAIRMAN

SEVERAL HON. MEMBERS: Happy Birthday to you, Sir.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Thank you all very much.

SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY: With your permission, Sir....

MR. CHAIRMAN: Leader of the House first.

THE LEADER OF THE HOUSE (SHRI VISHWANATH PRATAP SINGH): Sir, let me on behalf of myself and also on behalf of the House congratulate you and wish you the best on your Birthday.

Sir, your life has been a symbol of excellence in public life and you have brought grace and dignity to whichever post you have held. You have led a full and rich life and every year of yours enriches the life of the country and the nation. I do not know how much here in the House we draw upon your cars, but certainly your patience, your magnanimity imparts life to the house. With these words, may I wish that the years be bountiful.

श्री रामचन्द्र विकल : आज तो इस पर बहस होने दो, मन्त्रियों की चांदी हो जाएगी जैसे आपने कहा था।

SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY: I wholeheartedy associate myself with the Leader of this House in giving you the best wishes of the day. Sir, you are 75 today, if I am correct.

SHRI HARI SINGH NALWA: He seems to be thirty.

SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY: He is 75, but he looks like 35.

SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY: Though you are 75, I agree with my friend that you look like 35. Sir, you have held a number of positions in your long career. More than that you have served the nation and the people to the best of your capacity. The whole nation remembers you today for what you have done in the past, for the people in Tamil Nadu and people all over the country.

Sir, I wish you a very long life. It is my wish that you should live for 100 years.

SHRI J. K. JAIN: And over.

SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY: And over. And I wish you also that you live a more fruitful, meaningful and rewarding life in future, and a more fruitful life associated with us.

SHRI J. K. JAIN: We can say 100 working years.

SHRI R. MOHANARANGAM: I associate myself wholeheartedly with the Leader of the House. Sir, you have reached your 76th Birthday today, having already completed 75 years. Just as a week back I completed 51 years. you have completed 75 years today and I am going to see you when you reach 100 years.

MR. CHAIRMAN: You can fairly be my son.

SHRI R. MOHANARANGAM: You have developed our Tamil Nadu as far as industrial development is concerned and you are here to not only develop this country economically but also to give advice to the whole world. You are in such a position. I had the opportunity of supporting you twice—first in the year 1977 and then in 1980 because you had contested from my constituency. But, the entire country is your constituency now. Whatever task was entrusted to you, you have done to the satisfaction of all. I wish you a very long life. I hope, Sir, next year, after two to three

years, after five years, you will definitely be associated with us, with MPs. leading the entire nation, I hope, Sir, this is only a beginning, and we will great you again when you reach hundred.

SHRI K. MOHANAN (Kerala): I am happy to associate myself with the Leader of the House and my other colleagues in congratulating you and wish you a happy, healthy and long life. Thank you.

SHRI S. W. DHABE (Maharashtra): On behalf of the United Association of Members comprising of different parties and myself, I associate with the Leader of the House and my other colleagues in wishing you happy birthday and many more years of prosperous and fruitful life in the service of the country.

SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA (Andhra Pradesh): Sir, I join the Leader of the House and my other colleagues in wishing you many happy returns of the day. You have already completed three quarters of a century, and definitely, we are sure that you will finish the century. And we hope you will reach greater heights in the service of this nation. Thank you.

SHRI GHULAM RASOOL MATTO (Jammu and Kashmir): Sir, I associate myself with the Leader of the House. On behalf of Jammu and Kashmir National Conference and myself I extend to you heartiest congratulations and wish you many happy returns of this auspicious day. Sir, you are an embodiment of humility and alertness, and we pray for your long life.

SHRI SURESH KALMADI (Maharashtra): Sir, on behalf of the backbenchers on both sides, I wish you a long and prosperous life. Your august presence brought dignity to the House. We on our part have been behaving ourselves since last years, and we promise to behave ourselves next year also.

श्री धर्म चन्द्र प्रशान्त : (जम्मू और काश्मीर): सभापति महोदय, आपने थोड़े समय में उपराष्ट्रपति के नाते और सदन के अध्यक्ष के नाते, न कि इस सदन में बल्कि सारे देश में अपनी कीर्ति स्थापित की है उसके लिए मैं आपको बधाई देता हूं और मेरी मंगलकामना है "जीवेत, शरदः शतम" आप सौ वर्ष जीए और वे सौ वर्ष मंगलकारी रहें, यह मैं कामना करता हूं।

SHRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM (Tamil Nadu): Sir, I have great pleasure in congratulating you on this happy occasion of your seventy-sixth birthday. On behalf of my party and on my behalf I wish you a long life. I have been with you in jail, I have been with you in the Assembly and now I am happy to be here. My joy is all the greater that I am here on this day to congratulate you. You have added to the dignity of the Chair which you are occupying now. That has been your life always, and I am sure you will contribute more for the cause of our country. Thank you.

SHRI SANKAR PRASAD MITRA (West Bengal): Sir, on behalf of independent Members of this House, I associate myself with the sentiments expressed on your birthday. May we wish you a long and useful life in the service of the nation.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I hope it is a judgement.

SHRI V. GOPALSAMY (Tamil Nadu): Mr. Chairman, Sir, I associate myself on behalf of DMK Party with the sentiments expressed by the Leader of the House. Right from the days of the Constituent Assembly your voice is being heard in the country. You are a pride of South Indian intelligence which is an asset to India. I wish many, many happy returns of the day, and also I wish the country gets many more years of your yeoman's service.

Thank you, Sir.

श्री प्यारेलाल खण्डेलवाल (मध्य प्रदेश) : सभापति जी, आपकी 76 वी वर्षगांठ के उपलक्ष्य मे मैं अपनी ओर से और अपने दल की ओर से आपको बहुत बहुत शुभकामनाएं अर्पित करता हूं और ईश्वर से प्रार्थना करता हूं कि देश की सेवा के लिए आपको लम्बा, दीर्घायु प्रदान करे ।

SHRI MAHENDRA MOHAN MISHRA (Bihar): Sir, we wish you on your birthday a happy prosperous life and many more years of service to the nation.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): Sir, women have always been associate in our country with all auspicious occasions Today being on auspicious occasion, on my behalf and on behalf of other lady Members here, I pray to God that He may grant you long, useful and healthy life.

PROF. (MRS.) ASIMA CHATTERJEE (Nominated): On behalf of nominated Members I associate myself with the sentiments expressed by my honourable colleagues and I wish you a long, peaceful and active life giving us guidance in the right direction.

संसदीय कार्य राज्यमंत्री (श्री सीताराम केसरी) : मान्यवर, आज मुझे आपके 75 वे जन्म दिवस पर बधाई देते हुए इसलिए भी गर्व हो रहा है कि आप स्वतंत्रता संग्राम के बहुत बड़े सैनानी रहे है और आज भी देश के सर्वोत्तम स्थान पर आकर उस रोशनी को प्रज्जवलित रखे हुए है। इसलिए मैं आपको बधाई देता हूं।

श्री राम चन्द्र विकल (उत्तर प्रदेश : सभापति महोदय, मैं भी देश के समस्त किसानों की तरफ से आपके दीर्घजीवी, यशस्वी, तेजस्वी होने की शुभकामननाएं करता हूं। मैं जानता हूं कि ज्यादा उमर बताना पोलिटिक्स में आजकल खतरनाक है, फिर भी मैं आपकी लम्बी आयु की कामना करता हूं। इन शब्दों के साथ फिर मैं चाहता हूं कि आपका यश दिनों-दिन बढ़ता रहे और इस सदन का यश भी आपके साथ होगा ।

MR. CHAIRMAN: I thank you all very much warmly and sincerely. I think everyone of you would wish that I had a birthday every day, because I have been liberal in calling everybody which I do not do otherwise.

SHRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM: Otherwise, nothing will go on record.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Today everything said will go on record. It is good to remember a person of my age of the balding pate, tottering legs, diminishing vision and hearing. I am very grateful to all of you for the very nice things you have said about me. All that I can say is that, I shall try to deserve what you have said.

Now, we will take up Questions. Q. No. 221.

ORAL ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

New technology for road building

*221. SHRI G. VARADARAJ:
SHRI M. KADHARSHA:†

Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a new technology for road building has been evolved by a Bombay firm;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard;

(c) whether it is also a fact that low cost road building technology was used in Madras; and

(d) if so, by when this technology is likely to be tried in other States?

THE MINISTER OF TRANSPORT (SHRI BANSI LAL): (a) to (d) A statement giving the requisite information is laid on the table of the House.

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†The question was actually asked on the floor of the House by Shri M. Kadharsha.